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OU-8 Railroads Project, Cherokee County Superfund Site

Attachments:

OU-8 Railroads Project.pdf

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Liz,

Our response letter is attached. Please let me know if you have any questions.

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Via E-Mail

RE:

Draft Design Documents

OU-08 Railroads

Cherokee County Superfund Site

Dear Ms. Hagenmeier:

In accordance with 36 CFR 800, the Kansas State Historic Preservation Office has reviewed a document entitled *Draft Remedial Investigation Report, Cherokee County Operable Unit 8 Railroads Site, Cherokee County, Kansas*, prepared by HydroGeoLogic, Inc., dated September 2015. As we understand the documentation, remediation will involve removal of remnant railroad grades which are largely comprised of mine waste chat.

According to our records and to the cultural study, there are no recorded archeological sites situated within the specified remnant rail bed areas. All appear to have been situated within industrial/mining complexes while in use, thus possessing low archeological potential. We therefore conclude that archeological survey is not warranted and that the project as proposed should have no effect on properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places or otherwise identified in our files. This office has no objection to implementation of remediation activities in the OU-08 Railroads project area. If borrow areas are identified for this project at a later time, we request that their locations be provided for review.

This information is provided at your request to assist you in identifying historic properties, as specified in 36 CFR 800 for Section 106 consultation procedures. If you have questions or need additional information regarding these comments, please contact Tim Weston at 785-272-8681 (ext. 214) or Sarah Hunter at 785-272-8681 (ext. 225). Please refer to the Kansas Review & Compliance number (KSR&C#) above on all future correspondence relating to this project.

Sincerely,

Jennie Chinn, Executive Director and State Historic Preservation Officer

Patrick Zollner Deputy SHPO

Cc: Tim Kent, Director, Environmental Department, Quapaw Tribe

Everett Bandy, THPO, Quapaw Tribe